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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed June 22, 2006, applicants request the Examiner to exercise their discretion in entering the following amendments, and request consideration of the Remarks set forth below. Applicants believe that no fees are required with this amendment. If any fees are required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the same to the account of Barnes & Thornburg, Deposit Account No. 10-0435, with reference to our matter number 7475-66667.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.